GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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MEGA CITY SCHEME
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the revised policy of the Union Government the cities having population of more than ten lacs can be included in the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Mega Cities;

(b) if so, the reasons for which the revised proposal of the Government of Gujarat for including four major cities of Gujarat in the said scheme is pending with the Union Government since long;

(c) the present status of the said proposal; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be cleared by the Union Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNA)

(a): The question of extending the scope of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Infrastructural Development in Mega Cities tocover cities with population of more than 10 lakhs is at proposal stage at present.

(b)to(d): Inclusion of cities with population of more than 10 lakhs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme forInfrastructural Development in Mega cities is dependent on the policy decision.